

MEXICANS GATHERING IN FORCE ALONG RIO GRANDE BORDER CLASHES COME FREQUENTLY

Americans Under Arms To Repel Invaders, While Washington Is Commencing To Worry Over Situation

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BROWNSVILLE, September 5.—The rumors and reports which have been in circulation during the past several weeks of a Mexican plan to invade lower Texas in force, with the Mexican population along the border to rise simultaneously in revolt, are now believed to have complete justification and an invasion of Texas is regarded as a very near probability. Mexican troops are being massed along the border and the crossing of a large force is expected at any time.

Practically a state of war exists along the border and there have been numerous clashes between the American troops and the Mexicans.

Last night, at this post, all the troops at Fort Brown were ordered under arms, to be ready to repel an invasion. At Fort Brown are Troops A, B, C, and D of the Third Cavalry and Battery D, Sixth Field Artillery. Other posts along the border are believed to have received similar orders.

The south bank of the Rio Grande is reported to be lined with well armed Mexicans, while sixty-five miles west of this city, on the Mexican side of the line, a large force of all arms are said to be concentrating. In this army, according to reports which have been brought in, there are batteries of field pieces and a number of machine gun companies.

All the telegraph lines out of Brownsville, with the exception of one line, have been cut at some point between here and San Benito, twenty miles to the north.

THIRTY MEXICANS ARE KILLED

There was a serious clash yesterday between the border guards and a detachment of Mexican troops, the battle being fought across the river, each nationality on its own side. The Mexicans gathered in an evident intention of crossing and opened fire on the few Texas Rangers in sight. The rangers returned the fire and other Americans gathered, the American force finally including rangers, civilians and some troopers from the Third Cavalry.

The American fire was too much for the Mexicans, who retired, leaving thirty dead. The Americans had one man wounded, Private John Salva of Troop D, Third Cavalry. His injuries are not serious.

Washington Is Alarmed

WASHINGTON, September 5.—The very serious condition which has developed along the Mexican border is now perplexing the administration officials more than the question of the internal affairs of Mexico. It is realized that a condition approximating war has developed, with the possibility that it will get rapidly worse. The already uncertain relations between the United States and Mexico are being strained close to the breaking point and each day's aggravations brings open war closer.

The authorities are discussing the use of more positive means to force the Mexicans to restore peace, both along the border and amongst themselves.

CARRANZA FLOUTS SUGGESTIONS

Whatever hopes the administration may have entertained of securing a favorable reply to the appeal of the Pan-American conference have about vanished. Yesterday, the Carranza representatives here and in New York predicted that when the reply of the First Chief comes, early this week, it will be a flat rejection of all the suggestions of the conference.

Yesterday a report was received of a disastrous train wreck two hundred miles east of the City of Mexico, in which two hundred persons are said to have been killed.

Will Celebrate or Fight

PHOENIX, Arizona, September 5.—A Mexican delegation has notified the authorities here that unless full permission be granted the Mexicans to celebrate Mexican Independence Day, on Monday of next week, there will be serious trouble. The delegation warns the authorities that it will be difficult for the responsible Mexicans to restrain the irresponsible.

A report from Florence states that the authorities there have arrested and are holding in jail eleven Mexicans. This band was found carrying on revolutionary activities and each member of it was armed.

Schooner Louise Has Narrow Escape Put Is Safe Now

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HOQUIAM, Washington, September 5.—After being in a dangerous position for many hours, the schooner Louise, from Honolulu in ballast, is believed now to be safe. Yesterday afternoon she anchored in a bad position off the Jetty Rocks, with life savers aboard and tugs standing by.

Early in the evening she began to drag her anchors and drifted in some one hundred feet closer to the rocks, while a heavy swell threatened every minute to drag her ashore. By this time the situation was most perilous for her crew, as the tugs and life saving crews were unable to reach her without putting themselves in equal danger.

Hopes for the vessel were given up when she finally began to drift once more seaward. At midnight her chances for riding out the storm were good.

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TAMPA, Florida, September 4.—A furious storm is raging up the Florida coast. Already Sandy Key has been partly washed out, and the railroad is damaged. There has been no loss of life reported so far.

FRENCH APPROVE OF PLANS FOR HAYTI

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WASHINGTON, September 5.—Ambassador Jusserand, on behalf of the French foreign office, yesterday called upon Secretary of State Lansing with an assurance that France is in full accordance with, and approves of, the American plan for the re-establishment of a stable government in Hayti.

Secretary Lansing, on his part, assured the French ambassador that the plan of the American government does not contemplate the displacement of the existing Haytian government, nor any interference with the normal functions of the island government except in the matter of the finances of the Republic and the maintenance of a strong police force. The United States will not interfere with the government of Hayti unless the Haytian politicians interfere with the carrying out of the American plans.

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SUBMARINE CREW DYNAMITES BRIDGE

Daring Landing Made In Asia
Minor For Cross-Country
Dash To Cut Turkish Line

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, September 5.—A special despatch to the Star last night from Athens reports that efforts have been made by the British to destroy the railroad bridge at Gelize, on the Scutari-Ismid railroad line, in Asia Minor, the object being twofold. The railroad is one over which supplies are being taken into Constantinople from interior Armenia and it is also the line over which the Turks must transport their guns and other munitions in the event of the evacuation of Constantinople.

Gelize, the point attacked by the British, who landed from a submarine, is twenty-eight miles east of Constantinople, midway between Ismid, the city recently sacked by the Turks, and Scutari.

Dashed Overland To Bridge
The British landing party came ashore from a submarine in the Gulf of Ismid and made a quick dash overland for two miles to reach the railroad line. The Turkish guard stationed at the bridge was wiped out and explosives fixed under the bridge. The attempt was partially successful, a portion of the bridge being demolished. The party did not dare risk the firing of further charges, but dashed back for their ship, which they reached safely.

Offensive Not Yet Begun
The expected offensive on the part of the Allies on the west front has not yet developed, although a constant bombardment of the German lines is being kept up, evidently in preparation for an advance in force at some portion of the long line. The general bombardment is taken as a means of making the preparations of the Allies, making it impossible for the Germans to determine exactly what sections of their front is the object of the offensive.

Torpedoed Steamer Afloat
The Hind, a British steamer, was torpedoed near Queenstown, Ireland, is reported as still afloat but water-logged.

NEGROS DENY BEING
IN A MURDER PLOT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
PROVIDENCE, Rhode Island, September 4.—Three negroes, held as suspects in the murder of Elizabeth C. Mohr, who is in jail for the murder of her husband, have repudiated their alleged confessions which declared that Mrs. Mohr had arranged with them to shoot her husband, a prominent doctor of Newport. The negroes now deny all knowledge of the crime. The chief of police says that the confessions made a few days ago by the negroes was not signed.

MAUITS VOTE IN
FAVOR OF KIHAI

WAILUKU, Maui, September 4.—At a meeting attended by forty members here Thursday afternoon the Maui Chamber of Commerce went on record as favoring the abandonment of McGregor's landing and approving the continuation of Kihai landing. The subject was discussed at some length, called up by a letter from the harbor commission asking whether the people of Maui approved the expenditure of \$10,000 set aside by the legislature for the repair of McGregor's.

The communication stated the board had condemned McGregor's as unsafe and it desired an expression of opinion from the chamber of commerce. Many members favored a good ship's wharf at Lahaina and thought the \$10,000 appropriation should be permitted to land until the next legislative session, when the lawmakers should be asked to divert it toward the expense of building such a pier.

Certain buoys and lights to mark a boat are the only things keeping the inter-island's largest vessels from using the Kihai landing, explained members of the commerce body. On the strength of this statement a motion was adopted approving the abandonment of McGregor's providing Kihai landing is made safe with the precautions mentioned.

WASHOUT ON MAUI
RESULTS IN SUITS

WAILUKU, Maui, September 4.—A second damage suit growing out of the heavy rain in the Hana district has been filed in circuit court against the county J. K. Kaleo this week filed suit for \$7500 damages, alleging that all the surface soil on several acres of his land was carried away in the freshet, due to the negligence of the county road overseer.

The overseer had caused two small streams to be diverted from individual culverts across the county road, to a third culvert through which a stream already flowed. This triple junction, Kaleo, avers, was just above his land and when the rain storm came the one culvert was not large enough to carry away the surplus water.

Charles Reinhardt, sugar boiler for the Kaleo Sugar Company, has a \$15,000 damage suit against the county pending in the local court, as a result of the same washout. He walked into the hole in the highway in the dark, receiving several broken ribs.

Asano Announces That T.K.K. Will Soon Have Twelve Liners Running To the Coast

A few days ago, President Asano, of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, announced in San Francisco that his company would not overlook any of the chances thrown in its way by the hostile American legislation against the Pacific merchant marine on the Pacific, but would increase the Japan-California fleet of liners carrying the T. K. K. flag and calling at Honolulu.

This announcement was followed up by news that he had purchased the S. S. Persia from the Pacific Mail on the two British boats operated by that company.

Yesterday, in San Francisco, Mr. Asano, as the news is wirelessly to the Nippon Jiji, made the important announcement that the T. K. K. fleet is to be increased at once until twelve liners will be on the run. The fleet has now four liners making San Francisco. The Persia will be added as soon as the transfer is made and the two Matsus now touching at this port and proceeding to South America will be diverted to make San Francisco. The company will at once purchase five other liners, the best that can be secured, and these will be started in the San Francisco-Honolulu-Yokohama service.

This will make the Toyo Kisen Kaisha much the most important line running on the Pacific from any American port.

OVERMANN TOLD GREGORY THE FACTS

Poor White Trash Still Manages
To Vituperate Around the
Department of Justice

By ERNEST G. WALKER

(Mail Special to The Advertiser)

WASHINGTON, August 20.—Certain conclusions of some importance in a Hawaiian way may be drawn from the recent judicial nominations. The designation of Chief Justice Alexander G. M. Robertson and of second Judge William L. Whitney in the first circuit, for another term, gives them a firmer status till the assembling of congress, when their nominations will be forwarded to the senate and confirmed. In the meantime, possibly before this letter reaches Honolulu, it will be decided whether Judge John A. Mathewman of the third circuit and Judge Charles F. Parsons of the fourth circuit, shall be re-nominated.

The retention of Chief Justice Robertson and Judge Whitney, Republicans, in office is noteworthy for the policy of this administration has favored rewarding Democrats. But the appointing powers have had many perplexities in selecting Democrats for places in Hawaii. This may have had quite a lot to do with the reappointments of the two judges mentioned, although judicial appointments are on a little different plane and there is no disposition to keep such appointments out of politics.

Pinkham's Pull Weak
The administration has been raising some advisers as to Hawaiian appointments and consequently is getting upon firmer ground. Supposedly the Governor of the Territory should be headed by the President in many matters of patronage, but Governor Pinkham is at least no more successful in that regard than were his predecessors Governor Carter and Governor Meyer.

The judicial appointments for Hawaii, however, are handled entirely through the department of justice, where Governor Pinkham is in much less favor.

Overman On the Job
Ordinarily there might be Democratic disposition to resist the nomination of Republicans for judgeships in Hawaii but Senator Overman, of North Carolina, who is second in rank on the judicial committee of the senate, will undoubtedly see to it that the nominations are promptly confirmed.

He was consulted at various stages, prior to the recommendations that Attorney General Gregory made to the President, although District Attorney McCarran was called in. While the department of justice is lukewarm with reference to Governor Pinkham, the new Attorney General, Mr. Gregory, follows the lead of Mr. McReynolds in standing staunchly by the district attorney. The latter tarried only between trains on his last visit to Washington but the chief significance of the visit was that he came to the attorney general's request. It is to Senator Overman's credit that he assisted Attorney General Gregory to get in touch with the influential lawyers of Hawaii and to sound their opinions about the judges.

Congressional Visitors Bury
Probably there will not be many more nominations to make for Hawaii under this administration but the administration understands there is a new opportunity to find out what is what with reference to the islands through the congressmen who visited there last spring. As was suggested at the time of the congressional visit, one of its chief advantages to the Territory promised to lie in the ability of these senators and representatives to tell the President and cabinet officials what should be done.

Senatorial Friends
Senator Overman's interest in Hawaii with reference to the judges is especially gratifying for he occupies a prominent position in the upper legislative branch. He serves in a conspicuous place on the appropriations committee where numerous Hawaiian items come for adjustment. This can also be said of Senator John F. Shafroth, of Colorado, Democrat. Senator Reed Smoot, of Utah, Republican, and Senator Warren, of Wyoming, also a Republican. These three latter serve on the appropriations committee. Senator Shafroth, as is well known in Hawaii, is chairman of the committee on Pacific Islands and as far as known will retain that chairmanship in the forthcoming congress.

STORE ROBBERS ARE SENT TO THE REEF

Petty Larcenists of the Hackfeld
Establishment Sentenced
To Terms In Jail

In the police court yesterday morning the celebrated Hackfeld cases came up for hearing.

These cases were the outcome of a discovery of wholesale robbery which has been going on at the big mercantile establishment for several months past.

John Zablan, charged with larceny in the second degree, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment on one count and was given a suspended sentence on another.

Thomas Kahus, who faced two charges of larceny, had one case nolle prossed and was given a suspended sentence on another count.

John Frank, Manuel Frank, Peter Frank and Sol King were ordered to go to jail for four months and were given suspended sentences on other charges.

J. K. Koshioka, a member of the same gang, was sent to jail for three months and given suspended sentence on another charge.

Sueoka, another member of the pilfering crowd, was sent to jail for three months. Nishimura, mixed up in the same mess, was given a suspended sentence.

The cases of Samuel and Albert Decker, charged with assault and battery, were nolle prossed; so was a charge of embezzlement against John Lovell.

An Tin, charged with vagrancy, had his case nolle prossed.

Nakayama, charged with violating a traffic ordinance, had his case nolle prossed.

Pai Goon Sung, charged with vagrancy, was sent to jail by Judge Monsarrat for a month.

John Kalamia, charged with profanity, was fined \$5.

W. Kelly, charged with selling liquor without a license, was given a suspended sentence.

Mrs. Blair, charged with selling liquor without a license, was given a suspended sentence and had another case nolle prossed.

J. T. Sherman, charged with profanity, was given a suspended sentence.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR YOUNG PHYSICIAN

LIHUE, September 2.—In the Lihue Union Church, the funeral service for Dr. Malcolm Thompson, the young physician who died recently in San Francisco, was held today. The body was cremated in San Francisco and the ashes arrived in Lihue Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Thompson, wife of the deceased and her mother (and father, Mr. and Mrs. A. DeBretville, as well as numerous friends, were present. Rev. J. M. Lyle conducted the service, referring in the warmest terms to the usefulness and untiring zeal of the young doctor during his former medical work on Kauai. After the church service the beautiful floral offerings were laid on the grave. Dr. P. L. Putman and Mr. DeBretville acted as pallbearers.

Mrs. Thompson and young child came from the Coast to Lihue early in August for a visit with her parents. Doctor Thompson had been appointed to a position on Maui and expected to follow shortly. On the day of her arrival in Lihue his wife received a telegram stating that her husband had died of pneumonia contracted after an operation. Both of the young people were well known in Kauai and Lihue society previous to their departure for the Coast last year and deep sympathy is extended by all to the bereaved family.

CHILDREN VICTIMS OF FIRE IN SAN FRANCISCO

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, September 4.—Five little girls perished today when a sudden and terrifying fire destroyed the St. Francis Girls' Directory. The sisters who conducted the institution for the safety of forty-seven children and a number of aged and blind people.

BIGGER RAIDERS ADDED TO THE GERMAN FLEET

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
CHRISTIANIA, Norway, September 4.—A new and larger type of submarine has been seen off the Norwegian coast, which confirms the reports that Germany has been constructing a new type of huge submarines.

GERMANS HIT HARD AGAINST RIGA DEFENSE

Russian Defense Stiffening Appreciably, However, and Teutons Are Making Slow Progress in the Main Campaign

SLAVS DELIVER COUNTER
BLOW BEFORE VILNA

Overwhelm Section of German Line, Driving It Back and Inflicting Heavy Losses in Men and Material in Big Battle

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

JAUNDIS, September 5.—The retreating Russians are stiffening their defensive appreciably during the past few days and the reports from the east front show that the Germans are making slower progress and encountering increasing opposition as they advance.

A big battle is in progress below the Gulf of Riga, the German objective to secure a passage of the river for the purpose of forcing the evacuation of Riga and cutting the Russian lines to force the Russian garrison at Vilna to withdraw or run the danger of being cut off. Riga now is being threatened both from the west and the south and the loss of the important port to Russia appears probable.

Strikes Heavy Counter
A counter offensive by the Russians has been launched against the German lines between Grodno and Vilna, the Russians overwhelming the German positions, driving the invaders back along a considerable stretch and inflicting severe losses upon them, both in men and supplies.

Reports from Berlin state that when the Germans captured the Dvina bridgehead at Friederichstadt they took prisoners thirty-seven officers and 335 men.

The Austro-Hungarians are now crossing the Sereth River, near its junction with the Dniester.

Will Make Desperate Stand
The belief is that the Russians intend to bend every effort to bringing the Teutonic offensive to a halt as far east of the present line along which the two main armies are battling. It is expected that, when the new defensive positions are prepared, the Russian line will fall back and there make a desperate stand.

Petrograd despatches state that General Alexiev has been named chief of staff by Commander-in-Chief Nishnevitch and General Ruskay has been named commander of the northern armies.

The Russian press is hopeful, feeling that the tide of the campaign is beginning to turn.

It is believed that the Germans intend to spend the winter in the vicinity of the fortified towns of Vilna and Rovno. They are now ten miles from Rovno and fifty from Vilna.

RUSSIAN RETREAT A MASTERLY EFFORT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

GENEVA, Switzerland, September 4.—A vivid picture of the ruthless devastation wreaked by the Russians in their retreat through Galicia and Poland, to strip the country so bare the invading Germans and Austrians could find no sustenance, is given by the letter of an Austrian officer received here.

The Austrian writes: "The Russian retreat was a military masterpiece—a masterpiece of terrible desolation recalling the retreat before Napoleon in 1812. The rearward was ordered to burn everything. Roads were cut to pieces, every bridge torn down and all the towns left in flames as the Russians withdrew."

CZAR SUMMONS DUMA TO SUGGEST PLANS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

PETROGRAD, September 4.—Czar Nicholas has issued a summons addressed to the duma, asking that body to meet at once to offer advice concerning the best means of advising the nation in order that the war may be more successfully prosecuted.

ONE GOOD MAN ENOUGH IN GOVERNMENT OF ZONE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

SAN FRANCISCO, September 4.—"A one man government is essential for the Panama Canal Zone," declared Colonel Goethals here today in the course of a speech before the Commercial Club. Goethals also urged enlarged terminal facilities at the canal. He said that the canal to be a success must be made capable of adequate defense against attacks. "There will probably be no more slides after 1916," he concluded.

SOMETHING DEPENDABLE

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